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OF

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SHOWING

THREE GENERATIONS

OF

THOSE WHO CAME BEFORE MAY, 1692,

ON THE

BASIS OF FARMER'S REGISTER.

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PREFACE.

SOME explanatory introduction to so copious a work, as the following, will naturally be required; but it may be short.

In 1829 was published, by John Farmer, a *Genealogical Register* of the first settlers of New England. Beside the five classes of persons prominent, as Governors, Deputy-Governors, Assistants, ministers in all the Colonies, and representatives in that of Massachusetts, down to 1692, it embraced graduates of Harvard College to 1662, members of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, as also freemen admitted in Massachusetts, alone, to this latter date, with many early inhabitants of other parts of New England and Long Island from 1620 to 1675. Extensive as was the plan of that volume, the author had in contemplation, as explained in his preface, calling it "an introduction to a biographical and genealogical dictionary," a more ambitious work, that should comprehend sketches of individuals known in the annals of New England, and "a continuation of eminent persons to the present time." Much too vast a project that appeared to me; and the fixing of an absolute limit, like 1692 (the era of arrival of the new charter), for admission of any family stocks, seemed more judicious. I suppose nineteen twentieths of the people of these New England colonies in 1775 were descendants of those found here in 1692, and probably seven eighths of them were offspring of the settlers before 1642.

My scope is wider than that of Farmer, of course, as it includes *every* settler, without regard to his rank, or wealth, since we often find, in the second or third generation, descendants of the most humble (thank God we are all equal before the

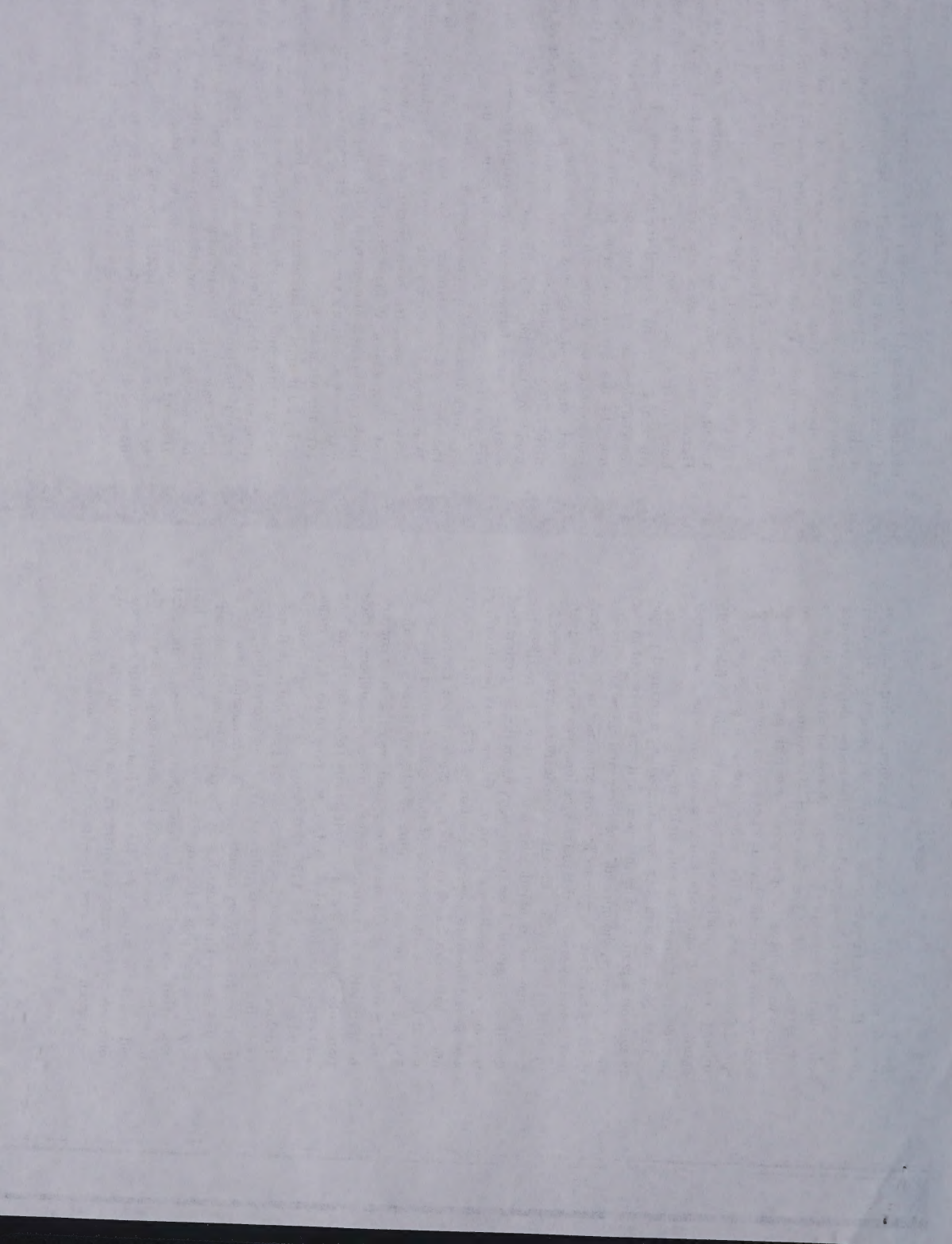
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law) filling honorable stations and performing important services. But far more narrow is my plan than his projected dictionary, because, in a grandson of the first settler, it excludes every other incident after his birth. Space for another than is here given, would have demanded six volumes, while ten volumes would have been needed for a fifth generation; and since we now count eight, nine, or even ten generations of offspring from not a few of the earlier planters on our shores, fifty volumes, each as ponderous as the present, might be filled with details, whereof one tenth would seem ridiculous, one quarter worthless, and one half wholly uninteresting.

That New England was first occupied by a civilized people in so short a period before the great civil war broke out in our mother country, though half a century and more after its elementary principles began to ferment, especially in Parliament, and almost in every parish of the kingdom, was a very fortunate event, if it may not be thought a providential arrangement for the happiness of mankind. Even if our views be restricted to the lineal origin of those people here, when the long protracted impolicy of Great Britain drove our fathers into open hostility and forced them to become a nation in 1776, in that century and a half from its colonization, a purer Anglo Saxon race would be seen on this side of the ocean than on the other. Within forty years a vast influx of Irish, with not a few thousand Scotch and Germans has spread over this new country, but certainly more than four fifths of our people still count their progenitors among the ante-revolutionary colonists. From long and careful research I have judged the proportion of the whole number living here in 1775, that deduce their origin from the kingdom of England, i. e. the Southern part of Great Britain, excluding also the principality of Wales, to exceed ninety-eight in a hundred. Every county, from Northumberland to Cornwall, Kent to Cumberland, sent its contribution of emigrants, and the sparse population of the narrow shire of Rutland had more than one offshoot in New England. But, during that interval, great was the diversity of circumstances between the old and the new country so far as the increase of their respective numbers by incoming of strangers was affected. In 1660 the restoration of Charles II.—in 1685 the expulsion of the two

hundred thousand Protestants from France, the desired invasion of William and Mary in 1689, and the settlement of the House of Hanover in 1714, each brought from the continent an infusion upon the original stock, the aggregate of which may not have been less than five or six per cent. of that into which it was ingrafted. Yet hardly more than three in a thousand, for instance, of Scottish ancestry, almost wholly the migration of the heroic defenders of Londonderry, that came, as one hundred and twenty families, in 1718 and 19, could be found in 1775 among dwellers on our soil; a smaller number of the glorious Huguenot exiles above thirty years longer had been resident here, and may have been happy enough by natural increase (though I doubt it) to equal the later band. If these be also counted three in a thousand, much fewer, though earlier still, must be the Dutch that crept in from New York, chiefly to Connecticut, so that none can believe they reach two in a thousand, while something less must be the ratio of Irish. German, Italy, Sweden, Spain, Africa, and all the rest of the world, together, did not outnumber the Scotch, or the French singly. A more homogeneous stock cannot be seen, I think, in any so extensive a region, at any time, since that when the ark of Noah discharged its passengers on Mount Ararat, except in the few centuries elapsing before the confusion of Babel. What honorable ancestry the body of New England population may assert, has often been proclaimed in glowing language; but the words of William Stoughton, in his Election sermon, 1668, express the sentiment with no less happiness than brevity: "GOD SIFTED A WHOLE NATION THAT HE MIGHT SEND CHOICE GRAIN INTO THE WILDERNESS."

By an instinct of our nature, we all love to learn the places of our birth, and the chief circumstances in the lives of our progenitors. More liberal than that is the sentiment by which our curious spirit desires knowledge of the same concomitants in the case of great benefactors of mankind; and the hope of ascertaining to a reasonable extent the early history of John Harvard was certainly one of the chief inducements of my visit to England early in 1842. I would have gladly given five hundred dollars to get five lines about him in any relation, private or public. Favored as I was, in this wish, by the counte-



nance and aid of His Excellency, E. Everett, then our minister at London, no trace could be found, except in his signature to the rules on taking his degrees at the University, when he is titled of Middlesex. Perhaps out of such research sprang my resolution to prosecute the genealogical pursuits of John Farmer.

In fulfilment of this great undertaking more than fifteen years are already bestowed, and near two years longer may be necessary. Yet the rule imposed, of admitting upon these pages only the dates of birth and marriage, and names of children, of a child born on our side of the ocean to a settler whose tent was pitched here before May 1692, is severely adhered to, with the exception only of so distinguished a man as Cotton Mather; and even this variety may seem forced upon me by Farmer, who had received him to the copious honors of marriage and family. Yet, in many cases, will be named great grandchildren of first comers, and even in a very few, another generation, making a fifth. Explanation of this apparent deviation from my own law is easy. When Gov. Bradford and Gov. Winthrop came here, each brought a son, or sons, and the same is seen of Gov. Dudley and numberless others. Now each child must be rated as an emigrant no less than its father, so that John Bradford, John and Adam Winthrop, and Samuel Dudley are equally entitled as their parents to have their grandchildren entered in these pages; but William and Joseph Bradford, and Joseph Dudley, sons of the Govs. born on our side of the water, shall not have grandchildren in their respective lines.

My apparatus for this work will sometimes be found incomplete, yet to a great extent, the public records of Colonies, Counties, and towns, where accessible, have been examined by myself or friends. Of the first ten folio volumes of our Suffolk registry of deeds I had an abstract always lying near me, and these embraced near one third of all the names of New England and more than half those in Massachusetts Colony; indeed for very many years, after the emigration from Europe ceased, only two other counties, Essex and Middlesex had been constituted. It will be recollected, that large parts of Plymouth, New Hampshire, and Maine were occupied by those who removed from Massachusetts, as was almost the whole of Rhode Island, Connecticut, and New Haven colonies. But

modern labors of distinguished antiquaries furnish us almost in full their early records; and more than nine tenths of the names in these separate communities, I think, must have been acquired for this work. But even in my native city of Boston three or four in a thousand may have escaped me, yet probably in the second or third ages from its foundation.

For the time of births, marriages, or deaths in each family I have labored assiduously to be correct, in hundreds of cases finding wrong dates given, and commonly without hesitation supplying the true. Where baptism is fixed, by a decent record, weeks, and even months before the date of birth, no fear of injuring the town clerk's credit can restrain belief in his mistake. But the copious source of vexation is the variety growing out of the Old and New Styles. In many thousand instances, I have turned to the perpetual almanac, to be sure that the day of baptism was truly, or not, recorded for Sunday, since the rite could, in the first century of New England, be performed only on that day. By this many printed errors may be corrected. As children are often seen to be baptized in January or February of the *same* year, by the ancient legal reckoning, that gives the parents' marriage in April or May, several weeks before, in our modern reckoning of the months, instead of so many months after, it is easy enough to put that right by calling those winter months not the eleventh and twelfth of the old year, as the statute absurdity required. Uniformly my chronology begins the year with 1 January; but to produce harmony between dates for the month of March is sometimes very difficult. A few town officers began to change the numerals for the year with the opening of the month, daring to ask, why the first month of 1679 should allow 24 of its 31 days to be drilled under old 1678, while the perverse will of the rulers in fatherland postponed the new-year's day until the 25th; and some records may be found, where the year ended in December; but this monstrous innovation did not begin before 1700, and the startling truth made irregular progress up to 1752, when Lord Macclesfield enlightened the legislature, and Chesterfield charmed it into consistency.

No apology would be necessary for filling room with enumeration of contributions from many friends other than such as are

open to all in printed volumes; but much of what is now within every one's reach had been furnished in MS. to me, and still more is from the same hands, in many cases, given first to the light on my pages. Our town histories are crowding forward, and sometimes in less compact space than might be wished. Windsor, though its History is large, has not equalled *ancient Woodbury* in bulk, yet seems to contain all, with threefold of the interest, that might have contented us in the other. The point of research may occupy long time, and be expressed at last in brief phrase, so that no comparison can be made between the result in different parts of the same field of battle from taking only the numbers engaged in each. One initial letter in this dictionary required a year and a quarter for its complete preparation, more than three months were given to each of several names, like Hall or Williams, and the progress of a page has often demanded a week. It seemed my duty to expose every error in our genealogy that has got imbedded in any reputable book; and the suspicion of any such may lead to a long train of inquiries before the refutation can be reached. If my success has been less than my ambition, it has not been owing to lack of industry, or to hurried operation. Printing of the first volume began in Dec. 1858, and was prosecuted without interruption of a day to this time; while for the next volume the careful amanuensis has ready for the compositor two hundred pages, a part of which will be given to the press to-morrow. For the access of new information that reaches us almost every month, a constant watch is kept; and life and health being continued, my contract with the community may be decently discharged in the autumn of 1861.

A very extensive catalogue of gentlemen, that might be graced by one of more than half a dozen ladies, could here be supplied, were it useful to mention the smaller as well as the greater contributors to these sheets. To Goodwin, Bond, Harris, father and son, Kingsley, Abbot, Day, Shattuck, Lunt, and Kilbourne, of the respectable file who have passed out of active service, it would not be easy to state the respective proportions of indebtedness; nor could I specify the ratio of benefit derived in my pages from benevolence of the living Babson, Boltwood, Brayton, Budington, Clapp, Day, Edwards,

Felt, Field, Herrick, Hoadley, Jackson, Judd, Kelly, King, Kellogg, Lincoln, Locke, Otis, Paige, Patterson, Riker, Sargent, Sewall, Shurtleff, R. D. Smith of Guilford, Staples, Vinton, Wentworth, Whitmore, Willard, Wyman, and twice as many more. Not one of the living or dead could complain of my declaration, that from the distinguished antiquary of Northampton the acquisition exceeds that of any other ten contributors. Early in 1846 I had solicited the benefit of uniting his name with mine in producing these volumes; but while he shrank from the responsibility of such unbroken labor, I can offer several hundred pages of letters to vouch for his sympathy, and encourage my perseverance.

19 APRIL, 1860.

ABBREVIATIONS.

By the number of more or less imperfect words, that can be not much less than three hundred thousand in these volumes, very great saving of space was expected. Caution was given me, in the *Genealog. Reg.* XII. 362, against the woful disfiguring that would follow, if the specimen, offered by the publishers to attract subscribers, were to be taken for a sample. As most of these curtailments were common however in similar works, I dared to adhere to the plan, which has not, perhaps, repelled a dozen patrons; and even enlarged my list by addition of one that would occur about two thousand times. The word *freeman*, or *freemen*, may be seen, in its new shape, *freem.* without offence, I hope, to the taste of any subscriber. Familiar to all readers must be the short form given to our names of the months, nine in twelve, only *May*; *June*, and *July* having their whole beauty; and yet of these nine words the recurrence would probably show the mutilations on my pages to be fifteen or twenty thousand. Titles are always permitted even in other books to appear in brief, as *Gov.* or *Esq.* and when *rep.* may stand for representative, most who turn over a dictionary of this sort will approve the economy. It may happen that, by the accident of the printer's type, or my own carelessness, some word may be abbreviated that had better been printed in full, yet I submit, that the page will be seldom disfigured by such liberty, and probably the reader would not change more than once in five hundred examples. Confusion will not be caused so often as that, I hope; but if a pause be necessary, we all feel the same thing in turning to an English dictionary for definition of words only. Nobody reads continuously from page to page, even in the affluent vocabulary of Johnson; and when a sincere desire to verify a genealogy, or ascertain a special relationship, is felt, the time will not be grudgingly reckoned, if a sentence be not printed out in every word, but with one third or more of those words curtailed. In the following list every word thus abbrev. may not be found, because the shortening may by a judicious reader be referred to a class comprising many, as the adverbial terminations, *ly*, *bly*, wanting after *easi*. and *honora.*; or the perfect tense or participles of verbs, *ed*; or in substantives, *er* and *ent*; or in either part of speech, *consu.* *mak.* *preced.* and *tak.* without *ing* or *en*. For many having different meanings, as *ch.* for child, or children, or church; *d.* for death, died, or daughter; *gr.* for grand, great, grant, or graduate; *mo.* for mother or month, the one intended may be trusted to the student's sagacity.

But occasions of error in names of men or women I have scrupulously avoided, so that only one surname can be seen in my pages to be abbrev. and but a single name of bapt. *Eliz.* can hardly be mistaken, nor will the lamentation be loud, when a man's name so distinguished as that of the first Gov. of Mass. is spelt Winth. Geographical designations are forever meeting our eyes in briefer form than the legal one; and he has poor supply of current letters that requires to be told what shires in Eng. are meant by Bucks, Herts, or Notts.

THE LIST.

a.	for about.	educ.	for easily.
abbrev.	" abbreviation or ted.	Eng.	" education or ted.
acc.	" according to.	eno.	" enough.
acco.	" accurate.	ensu.	" ensuing.
adj.	" adjoining.	est.	" estate.
adm.	" admission or admitted.	establ.	" establishment.
admin.	" administration or tor.	exc.	" except.
aft.	" after.	f.	" father.
alleg.	" allegiance.	fam.	" family.
ano.	" another.	fidcl.	" fidelity.
approx.	" approximately.	foil.	" following or ed.
ar. co.	" artillery company.	freem.	" freemason or cu.
ascert.	" ascertain or aimed.	giv.	" given or giving.
b.	" born or birth.	gr.	" grand, great, grant or gradu-
bapt.	" baptized or sm.	atc.	" at.
bec.	" because or became.	gr.f.	" grandfather.
bef.	" before.	gr.mo.	" grandmother.
bot.	" bought or bottom.	gr.s.	" grandson.
br.	" brother.	hers.	" herself.
bur.	" buried.	II C.	" Harvard College.
capt.	" captain, captured, or ivity.	hins.	" himself.
catal.	" catalogue.	Hist.	" History.
ch.	" for child, children, or church.	hist.	" historian.
clk.	" clerk.	hon.	" honorable.
Co.	" County.	honor.	" honorary.
Col.	" Colony or Colonel.	honora.	" honorably.
Coll.	" College or Collections.	ign.	" ignorant.
comp.	" company.	Ind.	" Indians.
confer.	" conferred.	inf.	" infant or informed.
conject.	" conjecture.	inhab.	" inhabitant.
cont.	" continued.	inq.	" inquiry.
contr.	" contract.	ins.	" insert.
corp.	" corporal.	inv.	" inventory.
couns.	" counselor.	judic.	" judicial or judicious.
cous.	" cousin.	k.	" killed or king.
coven.	" covenant.	kn.	" known.
ct.	" court.	ld.	" land.
d.	" died, death, or daughter.	lieut.	" lieutenant.
Dart.	" Dartmouth College.	liv.	" lived or ing.
deac.	" deacon.	m.	" married or age.
decis.	" decision.	maj.	" major.
degr.	" degree.	mak.	" making.
devis.	" devised.	ment.	" mentioned.
discip.	" discipline.	milit.	" military.
div.	" division or divided.	min.	" minister.
docum.	" document.	mo.	" mother or month.
ds.	" deaths or daughters.		

nam.	for named.	scatt.	for scattering or ed.
N. E.	" New England.	sec.	" second.
not.	" noted.	serg.	" sergeant.
o.	" oath.	sett.	" settlers or settler.
O. E.	" Old England.	serv.	" service or servant.
offic.	" official.	sev.	" several.
oft.	" often.	sh.	" share or ship.
ord.	" ordained.	sis.	" sister.
orig.	" origin.	spell.	" spelling or ed.
peo.	" people.	surg.	" surgeon.
petin.	" petition.	sw.	" swear or swore.
preced.	" preceding.	syl.	" syllable.
pro.	" probate or proved.	tak.	" taken.
prob.	" probable or ly.	tho.	" thought.
prop.	" property.	thot.	" thought.
propound.	" propounded.	thro.	" through.
propr.	" proprietors or proprietor.	transcr.	" transcribed.
provis.	" provision.	unit.	" uniting or ed.
pub.	" public.	unm.	" unmarried.
rat.	" rated.	var.	" various or variation.
rec.	" record.	w.	" wife.
rep.	" report or representative.	wh.	" who or which.
reput.	" repudiated.	wks.	" weeks.
respectiv.	" respectively.	wid.	" widow.
s.	" son or sons.	yr.	" year.

with a few dozen others, that need not to be particularly mentioned, as the reader, without a compliment, may be presumed to supply meaning for himself to marks of frequent use, like points of the compass.

§ shows, that the man was Governor or President.

† " that he was Deputy Governor.

‡ " that he was an Assistant, or Counsellor.

• " that he was a Representative.

! " that he belonged to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts.

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INTRODUCTION

I

In 1983 Genealogical Publishing Company of Baltimore (henceforth GPC) began a series of New England-area periodical extractions with *Genealogies of Rhode Island Families From Rhode Island Periodicals*. This two-volume set reprints all family history articles (compiled genealogies), collective or multi-family items, and heraldic data, but no source records, from *Rhode Island Historical Society Collections*, *Rhode Island History*, *Publications of the Rhode Island Historical Society*, *The Newport Historical Magazine* (sometimes *The Rhode Island Historical Magazine*), *The Narragansett Historical Register*, and *Rhode Island Historical Tracts*. The New England-area series initiated by this set, moreover, has grown to 14 volumes and stands as a major achievement in contemporary genealogy. It includes *Genealogies of Rhode Island Families From Rhode Island Periodicals* (2 vols.), *Genealogies of Connecticut Families From The New England Historical and Genealogical Register* [NEHGR] (3 vols., 1983), *English Origins of New England Families From NEHGR* (two series, 6 vols., 1984-1985), and *Genealogies of Mayflower Families From NEHGR* (3 vols., 1985). This series may also be thought to include *Long Island Families From The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record* [NYGBR] (2 vols., 1987) and three volumes of source records -- *Suffolk County Wills: Abstracts of the Earliest Wills Upon Record in the County of Suffolk, Massachusetts, From NEHGR* (1984), *Mayflower Source Records: Primary Data Concerning Southeastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod, and the Islands of Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard, From NEHGR* (1986), and *Long Island Source Records From NYGBR* (1987) (The three Long Island volumes were selected and introduced by Henry B. Hoff.).

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Genealogies of Rhode Island Families From The New England Historical and Genealogical Register, the work in hand, brings the number of volumes in this series to 21, a sizable "southern New England library" of indexed journal articles. *Genealogies of Rhode Island Families From NEHGR* (henceforth usually RIF2) also complements and in a sense completes *Genealogies of Rhode Island Families From Rhode Island Periodicals* (henceforth usually RIF1). Together these compendia make readily available the bulk of Rhode Island periodical literature before about 1975; the flowering since that date will be treated shortly. RIF2 contains, with three major exceptions, all Rhode Island genealogies and source records, through 1987, from *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, the oldest continuously published genealogical journal in the Anglo-American world. Rhode Island source records from the *Register* could be printed herein because all articles on the origins of Rhode Island immigrants, over 600 pages, were reprinted in *English Origins of New England Families* and are rigorously excluded from these current volumes, even when the earlier reprinted articles contained some American data. Much of this excluded English material is cited in the bibliography below. Also excluded is the seminal Rhode Island "how-to" article, "Genealogical Research in Rhode Island" by Jane Fletcher Fiske (vol. 136 [1982] : 173-219), which was reprinted, with addenda, in Ralph J. Crandall, ed., *Genealogical Research in New England* (GPC, 1984). The third major exclusion, among source records themselves, is Katharine U. Waterman's "The Rhode Island Census of 1782" (vols. 127-129 [1973-1975]). *Rhode Island 1782 Census*, a book version based on the original, was published by Jay Mack Holbrook in 1979. Also omitted in RIF2, as in previous *Register*-GPC compilations, are historical articles, biographies, memoirs, obituaries, diaries, letters, very minor notes, and queries.

Since 1975 or so Rhode Island genealogy has experienced a major renaissance. The first major components of this rebirth have been two new Rhode Island periodicals devoted primarily (but not exclusively -- see the citations below) to source records: *Rhode Island Roots*, journal of the Rhode Island Genealogical Society, and *Rhode Island Genealogical Register*, edited by Alden G. Beaman. Another

activator has been the publication of Mr. Beaman's *Rhode Island Vital Records, New Series*, 13 volumes to date, covering Washington, Kent and Newport counties, and of several other key primary sources -- in addition to *Rhode Island 1782 Census*, mentioned above, the 1983 reprint by Hunterden House of those parts of James N. Arnold's *Vital Record of Rhode Island* that cover civil data from Warwick, Cranston, Johnston, and North Providence, Ruth Wilder Sherman's *Peleg Burroughs's Journal, 1778-1798*, 1981, and four GPC works, Bruce C. MacGunnigle's *Rhode Island Freemen, 1747-1755*, 1977, Mildred Mosher Chamberlain's *The Rhode Island 1777 Military Census*, 1985, and H.L. Peter Rounds' *Abstracts of Bristol County, Massachusetts Probate Records, 1687-1745*, 1987, and *Book 2, 1745-1762*, 1988, these last of which cover pre-1747 Bristol, Barrington, Warren, Tiverton, and Little Compton. Publication of the often erroneous but still quite useful AIS (Accelerated Indexing Systems) Rhode Island census indexes, 1800-1850, in 1975-1977 was followed in 1985 by Index Publishing's 1860 and 1870 *Rhode Island Census Index[es]*, compiled by Bryan Lee Dilts. Jane Fiske's "Genealogical Research in Rhode Island" was published in the *Register* in 1982, and *Genealogies of Rhode Island Families From Rhode Island Periodicals* appeared in 1983. Since then several fine single-family genealogies have followed the 1980 Hugh Mosher example. Particularly good are the 1986 Sayles and 1987 Thomas Cooke volumes (both cited below, the former under Roger Williams, John Sayles' father-in-law) by Judith A. Hurst and Jane Fiske respectively, Esther L. Woodworth-Barnes' 1984 *Huling Genealogy*, and Lois J. Barber Schroeder's two-volume 1984 *Moses Barber of South Kingstown, Rhode Island, and Many Descendants*. Jane Fiske, I might add, is now editor of both the *Register* and *Rhode Island Roots*. Since 1975 her articles have appeared also in *The American Genealogist* and *The Genealogist* (New York), where several others of the above-named scholars have published also. Finally of major note in this decade-long renaissance are two new multi-family works -- *New England Colonial Families, Volume One* (including "Brown Families of Bristol Counties, Massachusetts and Rhode Island") and *Ancestral Lines Revised: 190 Families in England, Wales, Germany, New England*,

New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, both published by Carl Boyer, 3rd, of Newhall, California, in 1981. These last cover 23 of the families listed below and are cited accordingly.

Genealogies of Rhode Island Families From The New England Historical and Genealogical Register thus appears in the midst of a major flowering of Rhode Island genealogy. The purpose of this essay is thus twofold -- to introduce readers to leading contributors of RIF2, and RIF1 as well, thereby suggesting some of the history of Rhode Island genealogical scholarship; and to summarize, in selected family-bibliographical format, our current "state-of-the-art" knowledge of many of the colonial families of this smallest New England state. In his foreword to RIF1, Paul Campbell, librarian of the Rhode Island Historical Society, ably summarizes the pre-1975 history of Rhode Island genealogical journals, but does not comment on contributors or individual articles. Considering RIF1 and 2 together we can note firstly the dominance, page-wise, of three genealogies covering descendants of John Smith, the miller, of Providence, of William Chase of Roxbury and Yarmouth, Massachusetts (the bulk of whose early progeny moved to Portsmouth and Tiverton, Rhode Island, and to Swansea and Freetown, Massachusetts), and of Governor John Cranston. These three genealogies, by Charles William Farnham, George Walter Chamberlain (for John Carroll Chase), and Charles Albert DuBosq and William Jones, run to over 350 pages. RIF1, which includes only the John Smith article among these three, also contains "The Gore Roll of Arms," edited and annotated by Harold Bowditch, and nearly 100 pages each of articles by John Osborne Austin and George Andrews Moriarty. Austin's articles, on the Allen, Audley (Odlin), Austin, Bailey, Barker, Bartlett, Bull, Gorton-Maplet, Holden, Jenckes, Power, and Weedon families were all published in the 1880s or 1890s. Moriarty's articles, on the Gilliam-Sanford, Greene, Herodias Long, Pemberton-Williams, Ray-Greene-Turner, Walker, Whaley, and Kingsale Williams families, with some "Additions to Austin's Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island" (a series that later moved to *The American Genealogist*) and "Portsmouth, Rhode Island Genealogical Gleanings," appeared between 1918 and 1953. RIF2, in addition to the

long Chase and Cranston monographs, contains over 200 pages of articles by Moriarty, and over 100 pages of Little Compton and Tiverton cemetery inscriptions transcribed by Benjamin Franklin Wilbour (aided in the former by Waldo Chamberlain Sprague). Almost half of Moriarty's articles in RIF2 pertain to Block Island -- "Some Notes on Block Islanders of the Seventeenth Century," "Some Notes on Eighteenth Century Block Island," "Two Block Island Documents" and genealogies of the Richard Card, Ichabod Clark, Nathaniel Dickens, Caleb Littlefield, Thomas Mitchell, Nathaniel Mott, John Payne, and Simon Ray families. Other items by Moriarty include articles or notes on the Bracy, Brown, Henry Hall, Knight, Sanford, Sheffield, Tallman, Waite, and Wilson-Rouse families, plus some Newport church records.

Of these major contributors John Osborne Austin was one of the two "founding fathers" of Rhode Island genealogy, author of *Ancestry of Thirty-Three Rhode Islanders* (1889, reprint, 1970), *The Ancestral Dictionary* (1891), *One Hundred and Sixty Allied Families* (1893), reprint, GPC, 1978), *American Authors' Ancestry* (1915), and the monumental *Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island* (1887). This last, still the seminal work in its field, covers the first three or four generations of 485 early Rhode Island families. Reprints by GPC since 1969 have included various corrections by Austin himself and 104 pages of Moriarty's "Additions and Corrections to Austin's Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island," the series mentioned above that appeared in *The American Genealogist* (TAG) between 1943 and 1963. Occasional later corrections, mostly by Robert S. Wakefield, have also appeared in TAG. Austin's colleague as a "founding father" of Rhode Island genealogy was James Newell Arnold, author of only a "Sketch of Nailer Tom" in RIF1, but editor of *The Narragansett Historical Register*, one of the extracted journals, and compiler of *The Vital Record of Rhode Island* (21 vols., 1891-1912). For further information on Austin and Arnold see the guides or forewords by Jane Fiske, Paul Campbell, and C.W. Farnham mentioned above and (for Farnham) below.

George Andrews Moriarty, Jr., whose contributions to RIF1 and 2 total over 300 pages, was unquestionably the leading Rhode Island genealogist of the first half of this century. In addition to the 300+ pages herein, and to the additions and corrections to Austin, he also compiled many of the longest monographs reprinted in the first series of *English Origins of New England Families*, in the introduction to which I summarized his career, noted that he "was undoubtedly the most prolific writer of genealogical articles in the Anglo-American world," and cited his work therein as "the major achievement of the [NEHGS] Committee on English and Foreign Research." Included in the *English Origins* sets are authoritative studies of the ancestry of Richard and Joan (Fowle) Borden, Dr. John and Joseph Clarke, Samuel and Mary (Maplett) Gorton, Ichabod Sheffield, Peter Tallman, John Throckmorton, and Mrs. Mary Barnard Williams, plus significant contributions toward such studies, or additions to earlier ones, for, among others, William Almy, the martyr Mary (Barrett) Dyer, John Coggeshall, Mrs. Joan Savage Earle, Dr. John Greene of Warwick, Samuel Hubbard, William Hutchinson, Roger and John Kenyon, Giles Slocum, James and Phillip(a) (Cocke) Weeden, and Roger Williams. Of Moriarty's contemporaries, roughly, among these major contributors to RIF1 and 2, Benjamin Franklin Wilbour and George Walter Chamberlain are also mentioned in my introductions to the *English Origins* sets. Wilbour, co-author of *The Wildbores in America*, 5 vols., 2nd ed., 1933-1941, was also Rhode Island's only town genealogist. His *Little Compton Families*, 1967, rev. ed., 1974, published after his death, is mentioned again in the bibliography below. Chamberlain, whose manuscript collection was given to NEHGS (as were Moriarty's and Sprague's), is best known as the author of volumes 3 and 4 of the 1923 *History of Weymouth, Massachusetts*, reprinted by GPC in 1984 as *Genealogies of the Families of Weymouth, Massachusetts*. For an account of the career of Waldo Chamberlain Sprague, Wilbour's colleague on the Little Compton cemetery inscriptions and compiler of *Genealogies of the Families of Braintree, Massachusetts, 1640-1850. Including the Modern Towns of Randolph and Holbrook and the City of Quincy* (microfilm, NEHGS, 1984), see the *Register* 139 (1985) : 155-158.

Dr. Harold Bowditch, editor of "The Gore Roll of Arms," was widely known as the leading heraldic authority in this country. Member of the NEHGS Committee on Heraldry, 1924-1964, secretary post 1926, and chairman post 1961, he was largely responsible for publication of the first seven parts (1928-1958) of its "Roll of Arms" (nine parts have appeared to date, listing 684 coats of arms, including those borne by probably over 500 colonial immigrants). Bowditch also wrote the "Heraldic Intelligence" and other *Register* articles, and compiled *The Bowditch Family of Salem, Massachusetts* (1936). Charles William Farnham, compiler of the John Smith, miller, article in RIF1, was the leading Rhode Island genealogist following Moriarty's death in 1968. Author of short guides to Rhode Island genealogy in volume 4 of *Rhode Island Roots* (1978) and the revised edition of *Genealogical Research: Methods and Sources*, vol. 1 (1980), he also wrote several other articles reprinted herein, in RIF1, and in the *English Origins* series. William Jones, co-author of the Cranston monograph, also wrote an article on the Scots ancestry of this family, reprinted in the second *English Origins* series, an Estabrooks article reprinted herein, and Bouton, Jones and Hutchinson-Phillips items published in *TAG*. Obituaries for Austin, Moriarty, Chamberlain and Bowditch appear in volumes 73, 123, 97, and 119 of the *Register*.

Other contributors to RIF1 or 2 mentioned in my introductions to the *English Origins* series, to *Genealogies of Connecticut Families from NEHGR*, to *Genealogies of Mayflower Families from NEHGR*, or to the 1985 GPC book version of Clarence Almon Torrey's *New England Marriages Prior to 1700*, include Richard LeBaron Bowen, Morton Taylor Goodrich, Isaac John Greenwood, Jr., Mary Lovering Holman, Ebenezer Weaver Peirce, Robert Sidney Wakefield, Henry FitzGilbert Waters, Walter Kendall Watkins, Richard A. Wheeler, and William Henry Whitmore. Of these the most important for Rhode Island genealogy are certainly R.L. Bowen and E.W. Peirce. Bowen, who indexed *Early Records of the Town of Providence* and compiled for an appendix a bibliography by family of many Rhode Island articles through 1949, also wrote, compiled or edited *Rhode Island Colonial Money and Its Counterfeiting, 1647-1726* (1942), *The Providence Oath of Allegiance and its*

Signers, 1651-2 (1943), *Early Rehoboth, Documented Historical Studies of Families and Events in this Plymouth County Township* (4 vols., 1945-1950), and *Collected Papers: Armorial, Genealogical, and Historical* (1959), this last largely on the Scott and Malbone families of Providence and Newport. The volumes on counterfeiting and the Providence oath contain full biographical and genealogical accounts of the families and individuals involved. The Scott pedigree roll about which Bowen wrote extensively was probably, however, an heraldic forgery; see the Wagner and *Register* items in the Richard Scott entry below. Peirce, author of several Peirce genealogies, including the multi-family Freetown-centered *Contributions Biographical, Genealogical, and Historical* (1874), also compiled *Colonial Lists: Civil, Military, and Professional Lists of Plymouth and Rhode Island Colonies* (1881, reprint, GPC, 1968).

Contributors to RIF1 or 2 not mentioned extensively in any of my earlier introductions but important to the history of Rhode Island generally include -- in addition to Alden G. Beaman and Jane Fletcher Fiske, leaders of the post-1975 Rhode Island genealogical renaissance -- John Russell Bartlett, Louise Presser Bates, Henry L.P. Beckwith, Jr., Jenks genealogist William Bradford Browne, Thomas Lincoln Casey, John Denison Champlin, Jr., David W. Dumas, Harrison Ellery, Georgiana Guild, Ray Greene Huling, Manchester genealogist Alden G. Manchester, James Pierce Root, Sanford genealogist Jack Minard Sanford, Francis Richmond Sears, Sherman genealogist Frank Dempster Sherman, Kip Sperry, Dr. Henry E. Turner, Estelle W. Wait, Katharine U. Waterman, and Edward H. West. Bartlett, author of the Wanton monograph in RIF1, and of 1879 Bartlett and Russell genealogies, also compiled or edited *Records of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England* (10 vols., 1856-1862, reprint, 1968), *Census of the Inhabitants of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations* (1858, reprinted, with an index by Elijah Ellsworth Brownell, another contributor to RIF2, by GPC in 1969), and *A Bibliography of Rhode Island* (1864). For further information on this third major figure of nineteenth century Rhode Island genealogy see Horatio Rogers, *Private Libraries of Providence* (1878). Louise Prosser Bates and Georgiana

Guild were professional genealogists whose manuscript collections are among the most extensive holdings of the Rhode Island Historical Society. Henry L.P. Beckwith, Jr., the leading American heraldic scholar since the death of Harold Bowditch, is the current secretary of the NEHGS Committee on Heraldry; he introduced and in effect edited its *Ninth Part of A Roll of Arms* (1980).

General Thomas Lincoln Casey and Ray Greene Huling wrote largely for the Rhode Island journals excerpted in RIF1. John Denison Champlin, Jr., compiled both a typescript Champlin genealogy and an unpublished study on the ancestry and descendants of Mrs. Anne Marbury Hutchinson; in examining this last he was preceded by Joseph Lemuel Chester and succeeded by Meredith Bright Colket, Jr., and Francis Northrop Craig. David W. Dumas, also a current member of the NEHGS Committee on Heraldry, is a frequent *Register* contributor and author of "The Naming of Children in New England, 1780-1850" in volume 132 (1980). Ellery and Vernon genealogist Harrison Ellery also co-authored one of the most lavish and splendid genealogies in American history, *The Pickering Genealogy, Being an Account of the First Three Generations of the Pickering Family of Salem, Mass., and of the Descendants of John and Sarah (Burrill) Pickering, of the Third Generation* (3 vols., 1897). This work traces the entire progeny of John³ Pickering, including daughters of daughters as well as sons of sons, and the six volumes of accompanying manuscript charts, now at NEHGS, cover the entire known American ancestry, as far as the authors could trace it, of every spouse of every John Pickering descendant. Since a large number of Boston-Salem "Brahmin" families figure among the Pickering progeny, these charts offer a ready opportunity to examine the genealogical origins of one of the most prominent urban elites in our history.

James Pierce Root, compiler of 1870 Root and 1890 Steere genealogies, also left a major manuscript collection now at the Rhode Island Historical Society. Francis Richmond Sears and Estelle W. Wait wrote primarily for the *Register* and *TAG*. Kip Sperry, a frequent article writer, former editor of *Genealogical Journal*, and American and Canadian collection development officer at the Mormon library in Salt Lake City, is the author of *A Survey of*

American Genealogical Periodicals and Periodical Indexes (1978), [Subject] *Index to Genealogical Periodical Literature, 1960-1977* (1979), *Connecticut Sources for Family Historians and Genealogists* (1980), *Rhode Island Sources for Family Historians and Genealogists* (1986), and *New England Genealogical Research: A Guide to Sources* (1988). Dr. Henry E. Turner was editor of the *Newport Historical Magazine* and Mrs. Katharine M. Utter Waterman, already mentioned as editor of the 1782 Rhode Island census transcription that appeared in the *Register*, also compiled the Utter genealogy cited below. Edward H. West of Laurel, Maryland, president of the National Genealogical Society, 1942-1944, contributed to its journal, the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*, the *Register*, *TAG*, *Rhode Island Historical Society Collections*, and the first edition of *Genealogical Research: Methods and Sources* (1960).

II.

Ably pioneered in the nineteenth century by Austin, Arnold, and to a lesser extent Bartlett, Rhode Island genealogy has flowered twice in the twentieth century -- between 1930 and 1960 or so, during the heyday of Moriarty, Wilbour, Bowen and the Committee on English and Foreign Research; and since 1975, led by Beaman, Fiske, and the Rhode Island Genealogical Society. *Genealogies of Rhode Island Families From The New England Historical and Genealogical Register* stands by itself as a consolidation of all non-immigrant-origin Rhode Island Register articles, including almost 400 pages of source records. Alongside *Genealogies of Rhode Island Families From Rhode Island Periodicals* and the two series of *English Origins of New England Families*, however, these volumes become much more -- part of a newly accessible "periodical library" that includes, indexes, and highlights much of the best Rhode Island genealogical scholarship of the past 140 years. With major contributions by the nineteenth century pioneers of this field, and containing most of Moriarty's best Rhode Island work, many items by his major contemporaries, and early articles by several leaders of the post-1975 renaissance, this periodical library will, it is hoped, both much aid and inspire present and future Rhode Island

genealogists. Almost all researchers with extensive Rhode Island ancestry, and many with only some, should find material of interest in this library. And RIF1, RIF2, and the two *English Origins* series should now join Austin's *Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island* as "first sources" to check for any Rhode Island genealogical problem.

Rather than discuss narratively the immigrants and families covered in RIF1 and 2 I offer below my own contribution to the current Rhode Island genealogical renaissance -- an updating, through 1987, of "A Bibliography of 100 Colonial Rhode Island Families," originally published as Appendix B to Jane Fiske's "Genealogical Research in Rhode Island." This bibliography offers not only a guide to our current "state-of-the-art" knowledge of many of Rhode Island's early families. It also allows us to see quickly how pivotal and often authoritative, as regards particular immigrants and their descendants, are the contributions herein, and which later genealogies, multi-ancestor works or *TAG* articles may have superseded them. In general much of the nineteenth century work on individual families by Austin, Bartlett, Turner, Peirce, Casey, Champlin, Huling, Root, etc., has indeed been later revised. With a few notable exceptions, however, almost the entire corpus of Moriarty, Wilbour, Chamberlain, Bowditch, Farnham, Bowen, Jones, Manchester, Sanford, Sears, Wait, Waterman, and West remains unchallenged and definitive. The source records herein -- a section which includes collective town-centered genealogical essays on Block Island (by Moriarty) and Westerly (by Champlin) -- are in general well and fully transcribed. Covering at least 15 towns, these records include 40 or more pages each on Block Island, Bristol, Little Compton, Newport, and Tiverton.

A Bibliography for 100 Colonial Rhode Island Families

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Listed below are the major printed sources for 100 colonial Rhode Island families -- most of those for whom a major monograph, often a journal article, identifies an immigrant's English origin and immediate ancestry, and for whom in addition one or more book-length genealogies cover American progeny. The list is alphabetical by surname. Immigrants sharing the same family name are grouped together, whether related or not, listed towns are each immigrant's principal residence, and asterisks indicate known origins, in a few cases non-English. Many immigrants of unknown origin with sizable and at least fairly well covered Rhode Island progeny are included also, as are a few immigrants to Massachusetts whose sons migrated to Rhode Island. Deliberately excluded, however, are those families with Rhode Island connections the bulk of whose descendants, at least until the mid-eighteenth century, are associated with Bristol County, Massachusetts -- especially Taunton, Rehoboth, Dartmouth and New Bedford; Stonington, Connecticut, or Monmouth County, New Jersey. For various Rhode Island-connected Rehoboth and Monmouth County families see Richard LeBaron Bowen, *Early Rehoboth*, 4 vols. (Rehoboth, 1945-1950), already mentioned, and John Edwin Stillwell, *Historical and Genealogical Miscellany: Data Relating to the Settlement and Settlers of New York and New Jersey*, 5 vols. (New York, 1903-1932; reprint, Baltimore, GPC, 1970).

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^⑥*Families*, Bowen's books on counterfeiting and the Providence Oath and his bibliography of many pre-1950 Rhode Island journal articles in the index to *Early Records of the Town of Providence*, all already mentioned, Moriarty's "Barbadian Notes," outlining many Rhode Island connections, reprinted in the first *English Origins* series, 3713-728, and further bibliographies of *Register*, *TAG*, and *Rhode Island History* articles in *Rhode Island Roots* 1 (1975-1976):1, 3-5, 2 (1976):2 (compiled by R.S. Wakefield and H.L.P. Beckwith, Jr.), and of ten years of *Rhode Island Genealogical Register* articles, in that journal's volume 10 (1987:375-376, compiled by Alden G. Beaman). Moriarty's surveys of seventeenth and eighteenth century Block Island families, reprinted herein, include extensive notes on the families of the seventeenth century, and the Champlin, Franklin, Gardiner, Hull, Littlefield, Sheffield, and Westcott families of the eighteenth. Wilbour's already mentioned *Little Compton Families*, the only Rhode Island town single work, covers Rhode Island branches of many families largely associated with Massachusetts. Treated in five or more pages are Little Compton residents with the following surnames: Almy, Bailey, Briggs, (Nicholas) Brown, Brownell, Burgess, Case, Chase, Church, Coe, (Thomas) Cook, Davenport, Davol, Dyer, Gifford, Gray, Grinnell, Hart, Head, Hilliard, Howland, Hunt, Irish, Little, Manchester, Pabodie, Palmer, Pearce, Peckham, Richmond, Seabury, Shaw, Simmons, Sisson, Snell, Soule, Southworth, Stoddard, Tabor, Taylor, Tompkins, White, Wilcox, Wood, Woodman, Woodworth, and Wordell. Some Canadian and southern descendants of Rhode Islanders are traced in John Victor Duncanson, *Newport, Nova Scotia -- A Rhode Island Township* (Belleville, Ontario, 1985), and Susie Davis Nicholson, Davis' *"The Settlers of Salem, West Virginia"* (n.p., 1979). Among families listed below, the former of these works covers Babcocks, Baileys, Borden, Cards, Clarkes, Fishes, Knowleses, Moshers, Mumfords, Potters, Sanfords, Slocums, Weavers, Weedens, Westcotts, and Wilcoxes. The latter work follows a group of Seventh-Day

Baptists, including Babcocks, Burdicks, Clarkes, Crandalls, Maxsons, and Moshers, who migrated, as a congregation, from Westerly to Shrewsbury, New Jersey, and then to Salem, West Virginia.

The above-mentioned *Ancestral Lines Revised* by Carl Boyer 3rd covers 22 of the families listed below -- Anthony, Babcock, Borden, Brownell, Carr, Coggeshall, Durfee, Fish, Hazard, Holmes, Jenks, George Lawton, Pearce, Potter, Remington, Reynolds, Sherman, Tallman, Tefft, Thurston, Tripp, and Wilbore. An Early Rhode Island Settlers series in *Rhode Island Roots* has summarized, with source citations, the lives of, to date, 19 of the immigrants below -- William Arnold, Jeremiah and Dr. John Clarke, John Coggeshall, William and Mary (Barrett) Dyer, Samuel Gorton, Dr. John Greene, Thomas Hazard, Randall Holden, William and Ann (Marbury) Hutchinson, Thomas Lawton, Thomas Olney, John Sanford, Philip Sherman, Richard Waterman, Samuel Wilbore, and Roger Williams. And among Rhode Islanders of royal descent, Jeremiah Clarke, Mrs. Ann Marbury Hutchinson, Mrs. Catherine Marbury Scott, and John Throckmorton, all listed below, are also treated in Frederick Lewis Weis and Walter Lee Sheppard, Jr., *Ancestral Roots of 60 Colonists Who Came to New England Between 1623 and 1650*, 6th ed. (Baltimore, GPC, 1988), lines 11, 14 (for the Marbury sisters) and 208 respectively; and Clarke, John Cranston, the Marbury sisters and Throckmorton are treated also in Weis, Arthur Adams, and Shepard, *The Magna Charta Sureties, 1215*, 3rd ed. (Baltimore, GPC, 1979), lines 100, 41, 34 (for the Marbury sisters) and 117 respectively.

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difficult to locate, examine, and evaluate, have been purposely excluded; those acquired before 1913 by RIHS were listed in volume 67 of the *Register*, a list reprinted herein. Abbreviations used below are RIF1 and 2, for *Genealogies of Rhode Island Families From Rhode Island Periodicals* and *From NEHGR*; EO1 and 2, for the two series of *English Origins of New England Families From NEHGR*; RIR, for *Rhode Island Roots*; RIGR, for *Rhode Island Genealogical Register*; TAG, for *The American Genealogist*; TG, for *The Genealogist* (New York); GJ, for *Genealogical Journal*; MQ, for *The Mayflower Quarterly*; NYGBR, for *The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record*; DSGRM, for *The Detroit Society for Genealogical Research Magazine*; and ALR, for *Ancestral Lines Revised*. For the smallest New England state the materials cited below and the more general items listed above cover together a sizable portion of its entire colonial population.

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EARLY SETTLERS OF WESTERLY, RHODE ISLAND.

[Communicated by J. D. CHAMPELIN, Jr., of New York, N. Y.]

PENBERTON, JOSEPH.—Was of Westerly in 1679. Removed to New London in 1680.* He m. Mar. 19, 1683, Maria Minor, widow of Samuel Minor, and dau. of — Avery.† They had James, Joseph, Mary and Elizabeth. He died Oct. 14, 1702.† After his death, his wife returned to Boston with her sons; but her daughters remained in N. L. Mary having m. Alexander Baker, a son of Elizabeth, Jonathan Rogers.* Another Joseph Penberton, (perhaps a son of the above) was made free in Westerly, April 23, 1691, and held several important offices afterwards. In 1703, he is called, in a deed, "Joseph Penberton, carpenter, of Westerly."

PENLETON, JAMES.—The name of Brian Penleton appears in the list of 108 townsmen of Watertown, Mass., in 1636. He was afterwards of Portsmouth, and was styled "minor." His will bears date Aug. 9, 1667. He m. Eleanor —, and had but one son, James, and a dau. who m. Rev. Seth Fletcher.

James was first of Watertown, then of Sudbury, and lastly of Westerly, R. I., where his name appears in the list of free inhabitants in 1669. He m. 1st, Mary —, and had James, born at Watertown, Nov. 5, 1650, and dau. Mary and Hannah. He m. 2nd, Hannah —, and had Joseph, born at Sudbury, Dec. 29, 1661; Edmund, Sarah, bap. at Stonington, April 18, 1674-5; Eleanor, bap. July 20, 1679; Dorothy, bap. Oct. 3, 1686; Anna, Patience, and Caleb. Capt. James Penleton was admitted to the church at Stonington, Nov. 7, 1680. His will is dated Feb. 9, 1702. He died Nov. 29, 1709. (Minor Diary.) James, his son by wife Mary, and dau. Sarah and Patience, are not mentioned in it and probably died early. Of the remainder of his children, Joseph, m. 1st, —, and had Mary, bap. at Stonington, Apr. 29, 1684; Joseph, bap. Mar. 10, 1695.† He m. 2nd, Deborah Minor, dau. of Ephraim, July 8, 1696, and had Deborah, b. Aug. 29, 1697. She m. Nov. 30, 1715, Nicholas Frink. Mrs. Deborah Penleton d. Sept. 8, 1697, and Joseph m. 3rd, Patience, dau. of William Poits of New London, Dec. 11, 1700, and had Joseph, b. Mar. 3, 1702; William, Mar. 23, 1704, and Joshua, Feb. 22, 1705-6.

* Joseph Penleton was buried Sept. 20, 1706.**
Edmund, son of Capt. James, m. Mary —, and had Hannah, bap. July 28, 1700; Mary, bap. Sept. 6, 1702.
Eleanor, dau. of Capt. James, adm. to Church at Stonington, Oct. 24, 1702; Dorothy, m. — Cottrell; Anna, m. Eleazer Brown of Stonington, Oct. 18, 1693.
Caleb m. —, and had James, bap. July 23, 1693; Sarah, bap. July 23, 1693, m. — Lamphear; Hannah, bap. July 7, 1695; Caleb, bap.

* Miss Calkins, New London.

† Thomas Minor's Diary; it describes him as "now residing in Stonington," *Reg.* vol. iii. He was, however, alive in 1676, as appears from a letter written by him to Gov. & Council of Mass., Aug. 13th of that year. *Reg.* vol. iii, 113.

‡ Although these are plainly written children of Joseph Penleton upon the record, I strongly suspect they belonged to Joseph Penberton. If so, Deborah Minor was the first wife.

§ Minor Diary.

June 6, 1697; Elizabeth, bap. June 25, 1699, m. — Brown; Brian, bap. June 15, 1701; Ann, bap. Aug. 22, 1703, m. — Babcock; Read, who m. John Saunders; Susannah, who m. Stephen Wilcox, Aug. 6, 1724; Ruth, who m. Benoni Smith.

RANDALL, JOHN.—John, free inhabitant of Westerly, 1689. In 1685 his widow petitioned to be allowed to improve deceased husband's lands. On the records, at Stonington, appears the following: John Randall and Mary Baldwin, m. Nov. 25, 1703; Peter Randall and Elizabeth Polley, Nov. 27, 1706. James Brown and Elizabeth Randall, m. May 5, 1718. Children of John Randall; Elizabeth, b. July 4, 1696; Mary, Dec. 16, 1698; John, Dec. 2, 1702; Dorothy, Dec. 7, 1703; Abigail, Dec. 4, 1705; John Randall & Mary Baldwin m. as above and had 7 or 8 more children.

REYNOLDS OR RENNOLDS, THOMAS.—Of Westerly, 1680. Thomas, son of John Reynolds of Stonington, and Sarah, dau. of Joseph Clark of Newport, were m. Oct. 11, 1683, and had Joseph, born at Westerly, June 25, 1684.

From the Minor church records, it appears that Abigail, wife of John Reynolds, was admitted to the church at Stonington, April 28, 1693; Mary, dau. of John Reynolds, bap. Sept. 19, 1686; Anna, bap. March 13, 1692.

SATTERLEE, NICKOLAS.—Free inhab. Westerly, 1680. He m. Mary —, and had Penelope, b. Nov. 15, 1698; John, b. Feb. 21, 1701-2, and Mary, b. Oct. 21, 1703.

SAUNDERS, THOMAS.—Freeman of Newport, 1655; of Westerly, 1669. He m. Mary, dau. of Joseph Clark of Newport, and niece of Deputy Governor John Clark, and had children John, Edward, Stephen and Benjamin, none of whom had attained their majority, Aug. 9, 1688, the date of his will. He died about Aug. 1695, as he was moderator of a town meeting July 4, 1695, and at a meeting Aug. 23, of the same year, it was voted, "That whereas Mr. Tobias Saunders is deceased," &c.

Of his children, John m. Silence —, and had Mary, b. Jan. 6, 1700; Hannah, Dec. 17, 1701-2; Elizabeth, Oct. 27, 1703; John, Susanna, Samuel, Joseph and Wait. Edward m. Sarah —, and had Edward, b. Jan. 10, 1702-3; Sarah, Abigail, William, Mary, James, Isaac and Hannah.

Stephen m. Rachel Bleavin, Nov. 19, 1721, and had Stephen, b. Aug. 3, 1722; Rachel, Sept. 18, 1724; Isabel, Oct. 14, 1726; Ruth, July 1, 1729; Tobias, Mar. 28, 1732; Mary, July 9, 1734; Peleg, Mar. 4, 1737; Martha, Nov. 27, 1740.

Benjamin m. Ann —, and had Mary, b. Jan. 29, 1714; Joshua, Mar. 6, 1716; Daniel, Nov. 1, 1717; Lucy, Nov. 13, 1719; Tacy, Feb. 1, 1722; Nathan, Mar. 17, 1724; Clem, Dec. 15, 1726.

SHARP, JOHN.—One of the early emigrants to Westerly. Made free, Oct. 28, 1668. Probably removed early.

STANTON, DANIEL.—Made free at Westerly, Oct. 28, 1668. He was, doubtless, the son of Robert Stanton of Newport, and not of Thomas Stanton of Stonington, as has been supposed. Daniel, son of Thomas, went to Barbadoes,* and died there, whereas the name appears at Westerly.

* Perhaps the following letter from the records of Westerly will be interesting in connection with him.

Barbadoes, Octob^r ye 16th 1682.

S^r y^e I Reseved for Mr Thomas Dimon

Dated August ye first wherein I understand you have spoken with my mother about

early some years after 1685. I extract the following from the records of the Friends' Church at Newport. John, son of Robert Stanton & Avis his wife, was born at Newport the 6th 1645. Hannah, dau. of John Stanton and Mary his wife, b. 7th 9mo. 1670; John, b. 22nd 2mo. 1674; Content, 20th 10 mo. 1675; Robert, 4th 3m. 1677; Elizabeth, dau. of Daniel Stanton and Elizabeth his wife, b. 20th 4mo. 1676; Martha, 3^d 4mo. 1678; Sarah, 28th 12mo. 1680; Daniel, 19th 2mo. 1688.

Robert Stanton died at Newport, aged 73; buried 29th of 6 mo. 1672. STEVENS, THOMAS.—Free inhab. Westerly, 1690. He married a dau. of Henry Hall, Sen., as he is called his son-in-law in 1705.

In 1670, Henry Stephens was an inhabitant of Stonington, and Feb. 18, 1694, Thomas, Richard, Henry and Elizabeth, four of his children, were bap. at Stonington, April 22, 1694; Lucy, another dau. was bap.

Henry Stephens m. Elizabeth Gallup.* Ephraim Minor m. Mary Stephens, May 24, 1694. Edward Wilcox of Westerly and Tamsen Stephens of Taunton, were m. May 5, 1698.

SWAIT, RICHARD.—Westerly, 1679. He m. Mehitabel Larkin, Dec. 15, 1673, and had Richard, b. Feb. 23, 1675-6; Susanna, Feb. 17, 1677-8; Elizabeth, Feb. 10, 1679-80; Mary, Nov. 4, 1682, and Eleanor, June 13, 1687.

WELLS, THOMAS.—Westerly, 1680. He was called "of Ipswich, ship-wright." He died Feb. 12, 1700. His will was verbal, dated Dec. 27, 1699; in it, he mentions children Joseph, Thomas, Mary, Ruth, Sarah, John and Nathaniel. His wife was Naomi.

Of his children, Joseph, m. Hannah Reynolds, Dec. 28, 1681.† He was "of Groton," and died Oct. 26, 1711. In his will, he mentions wife Hannah and children Joseph, John, Thomas and Anne.

The will of Thomas, Jr., dates April 11, 1716, mentions wife Sarah and children Edward, Thomas and Sarah. Am't of inv. £165, 19, 00. Mary m. Ezekiel Maine, Jr., Dec. 15, 1690.

John m. Mary; Nathaniel m. —, dau. of Joseph Crandall? WILCOX, STEPHEN.—Free inhab. Westerly, 1669, Edward, 1680; made free April 22, 1686. Stonington, 1699, cattle mark of William Wilcox.

In list of freemen of Kingsdown (now Wickford) appears Stephen Wilcox, son of Stephen; Robert, son of Thomas, and Stephen, son of Thomas.

Will of John Crandall, Jr., 1704, at Kingstown, mentions dau. Elizabeth Wilcox, and son Stephen Wilcox.

On same records, Thomas, son of Thomas Wilcox, born Oct. 24, 1693. On Westerly records, the following: Stephen Wilcox and wife Elizabeth.

The same and you have written that mother is unwilling to act anything tell she hears from me: Upon which content I have fully wrote my mind to my mother about the premises aforesaid and shall fully leave it to her disposing without consent or approbation of our Reverend Mr James Norcross; and what they see in the \$4 business I shall conform and stand to as my act and decide, & by the first occasion I shall send you on a deed of Sale full and ferme according to Law, which is all at present only wishing of your Self and Lady with the Rest of our Relations all happiness and prosperity imaginable and See subscribe and always shall your humble servant & Ever Loving Kinsman to Command at all times Daniel Stanton.

My humble services to Capt & Mistress Denison; I pray Sr dont let the brevecation of my writing hinder your enlargement by the next opportunity. D. S.

* Savage's Windthrop, p. 16. † Thomas Minor's Diary.

beth, 1715. Stephen Wilcox and Mary Randall, m. July 12, 1716, and had David, b. Feb. 13, 1720-21; Marcy, Aug. 6, 1724; Eunice, May 22, 1726; Stephen, April 21, 1728; Valentine, Feb. 14, 1733-4. Edward Wilcox of Westerly, and Tamsen Stephens of Taunton, m. May 5, 1698, and had Sarah, b. May 30, 1700; Thomas, Feb. 18, 1702; Hezekiah, April 4, 1704; Elisha, July 9, 1706; Amie, Oct. 18, 1709; Susanna, April 4, 1712. Edward Wilcox died intestate, Nov. 5, 1715.

On Stonington records, William Wilcox and Dorothy Palmer, m. Jan. 25, 1697-8; 1717, Daniel Wilcox and Mary, his wife.



EXTRACTS FROM THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH RECORDS OF WESTERLY, R. I.

Communicated by BENJAMIN PARKER, LL.D., of Parkvale, Penn.

THE Records of a "Presbyterian or rather Congregational" church or society in Westerly, R. I., from 1750 to about 1769, having been temporarily placed in my hands, I have copied the principal parts thereof for publication in the REGISTER.

As all the proceedings were carefully recorded, they most fully illustrate the usages of that day in regard to church affairs. Family covenants made and renewed, written out and signed; written confessions of candidates for membership, and the form of their reception to full communion with the society; petitions for dismission and letters to other churches, are in all cases fully recorded. They are thought to be unique; certainly very curious and interesting,—worthy of being preserved and handed down, if not studied, as evidences of the character and tone of piety among our New-England ancestry.

I shall omit such parts of the record as merely refer to the examination of the trifling difficulties with each other, and the discipline of members; each of whom, by the terms of their covenant, were placed under the watch and guardianship of all the rest.

The original record is written on sheets of foolscap paper, stitched together without binding or cover. Several of the leaves are mutilated and some entirely gone, especially at the commencement and ending. As their

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	Abel POTTER	" "	10	177	Warr	Jun. 30, 1818		
✓	Thos. STANTON et al Hanneman	" "	10	178	Q. CLAIM	July 11, 1818		(Feb. 14, 1815)
	POTTER Isaac	" "	10	423	Warr	Aug. 2, 1820		
	Tichenor Abel	" "	10	492	"	June 22, 1821		
	POTTER Johnson	" "	11	9	"	May 5, 1821		
	POTTER Lodowick STANTON	" "	12	168	"	May 8, 1823		
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	"	"	13	(added 2. copy)		Oct. 24, 1827		

* See Misc STANTON page for transactions to John P. Stanton
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* X	Thomson, et al (as John Stanton's estate)	Lodowick STANTON	10	178	St Claim	Jul. 4, 1818		(14 Feb. 1818)

(In () from deed)

* Included here because all the known children of John & Mary Stanton are listed selling their right as heirs to brother Lodowick and the mother Mary signs her "mark". land of deceased John Stanton

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BENNINGTON TOWN RECORDS, Bennington, VT - Research - August 1-3, 1992
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Know all men by these presents that I Joseph Willoughby of Bennington in the County of Bennington and State of Vermont for and in consideration of the sum of Sixteen pound & Sixteen Shillings lawful money of S^d State to me in hand paid before the Delivery hereof by John Stanton of Pownal County of State afore s^d the Receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge have given granted Bargaine^d & sold & by these presents do give grant Bargain Sell alien Release Convey and Confirm to him the Said John Stanton his Heirs & Assigns all my Right to the Interest Estate property & Demand that I have to a certain Tract or parsal of Land being & lying in Bennington /Viz/ in the South West Corner of the North West Quarter of the Right N^O Three Beginning at Doct^r Jonas Fays Land at a Stake & Stone thence running West 8½ Deg^s North Sixty Rods to a Stake & Stone thence South 8½ Deg^s East Eighty two rods to a Stake & Stones thence East 8½ Deg^s South Sixty Rods to Stake & Stones thence Seventy Six Rods to ffirst mentioned Corner containing twenty & Eight Acres Be the same more or less -- To Have and to hold the Said granted & Bargained premisses with all the appurtenances thereunto belongin to him the S^d John Stanton his Heirs and assigns to his & their proper use Benefit & Behoof for ever I hereby ingaging to warrant & Defend the S^d granted Premisses against all Claims or Demands of any Person or Persons Claiming by from or under me In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Seal

this first Day of Dec^r AD 1784

Signed Seald and Deliverd

in Presense of _____ Joseph Willoughby (Seal)

Sarah Watson

County of Bennington State of Vermont the

3^d Day of December 1785 then personally appeared

Joseph Willoughby Signer & Sealer of the Within Instrument

and acknowledged it to be his own free and Voluntary act

and Deed Before me Eli Noble Justic Peace

Recorded this 5th Jan^{ry} 1786 M/ Brush T Clerk

Know all men by these presents that I Joseph (331)
 Willoughby of Bennington in the County of Bennington
 and State of Vermont for and in consideration of the sum
 of sixteen pounds & sixteen shillings Lawful money of the State
 to me in hand paid before the Delivery hereof by John
 Stanton of Townshend County & State aforesaid the Receipt
 Whereof I do hereby acknowledge have given granted
 Bargained & sold & by these presents do give grant bargain
 Sell alien Release Convey and Confirm to him the
 said John Stanton his Heirs & Assignes all my Right
 Title Interest Estate property & Demand that I have
 & a certain Tract or parcel of Land being & Lying in
 Bennington Wigg in the South West Corner of the
 North West Quarter of the Right N. E. Three Beginning at
 Doct. Jonas Sags Land at a Stake & Stone Thence Running to
 the Doct. North Sixty Rods to a Stake & Stone Thence North Six
 Doct. East Eighty two Rods to a Stake & Stone Thence East Six
 South Sixty Rods to a Stake & Stone Thence Seventy six Rods to
 first mentioned Corner containing twenty & eight Acres
 be the same more or less — To Have and to hold the
 said granted & Bargained Premises with all the appurte-
 nances thereto belonging to him the said John Stanton his
 Heirs and Assignes to him & their proper Use Benefit &
 behoof for ever & hereby engaging to warrant & defend
 the said granted Premises against all claims or Demands
 of any Person or Persons claiming by from or under me
 In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal
 this first Day of Dec^r 1704 —

Signed Seal and Delivered

in Presence of —

Sarah Watson

Joseph Willoughby (Seal)

County of Bennington State of Vermont the
 3^d Day of December 1705 then personally appeared
 Joseph Willoughby Signer & Seller of the Within Instrument
 and acknowledged it to be his own free and Voluntary act
 and Deed before me — Sh Noble Justice Peace —
 Read this 5th Jan^y 1706. Nathl. T. Clerk —

his estate on his children, &c., did make and declare his last will in presence of Daniel Gouid, Joseph Nicholson, William Wodell, John Earle, &c., who was called in for that end, and did then order and dispose of his estate to his children, which was approved by Town Council of Portsmouth, as appeared under their names.

also of my honored grandmother, wife of said Richard, &c., that it was his real will, &c., and am satisfied, and for £5, paid by my uncles, viz: Matthew and John Borden, of Portsmouth, and Francis Borden, of Shrewsbury, forever quit-claim to uncles Matthew and John, all my interest in lands, &c., in Portsmouth or elsewhere, and to my uncle Francis, all rights in lands in Shrewsbury and elsewhere.

of Tiverton) £15. To grandson Stephen Borden, eldest son of Joseph, deceased, land in Freetown, where son Joseph built a saw mill, said Stephen paying his three brothers, William, George and Joseph, £100 each, as they come of age. To grandson Joseph Borden, a half share at head of Freetown, in Tiverton. To son Thomas Borden, all housing and land in Portsmouth, he keeping for his mother a horse and two cows, giving her two fat swine yearly, allowing her sufficient house room while widow and the keep of half a dozen fowls. To son Thomas, also, rights at Hog Island. To son William, one-half of 1000 acres in Pennsylvania. To son Benjamin, the other half. To daughters Hope and Mary Borden, all lands in Shrewsbury, N. J., and certain lands in Pennsylvania. To wife Mary,

Inventory, wearing apparel, spectacles, vestment bed, 12 sheets and several other bedclothes, 2 spinning wheels, three and a quarter years' service of Indian girl £18, cider £1, 4 cows, 2 two years, 2 yearlings, calf, 40 sheep, 20 lambs, 8 swine, some pigs, &c.

1731, Aug. His widow Mary, called herself aged sixty-six years, having been married at sixteen or seventeen, as was stated.

VI. (JOSEPH, m. 1643, Jul. 3. Portsmouth, R. I., Barbadoes, W. I. of Hope, d. 1705 +

VII. (SARAH, m. 1644, May. d. 1705 + of Obadiah & Catharine () Holmes, d. 1713.

VIII. (SAMUEL, m. 1679, Jun. 1. Portsmouth, R. I., Westchester, N. Y. ELIZABETH CROSSE, d. 1705 + of Crosse.

1672, Feb. 10. He sold Lewis Mattox, of Portsmouth, a share of land in Monmouth, N. J.

1674. Freeman.

1679, Jun. 1. Westchester. He was living there at time of his marriage.

IX. (BENJAMIN, m. 1670, Sep. 22. Portsmouth, R. I., Burlington Co., N. J. ABIGAIL GROVER, d. 1718 + of James Grover.

1670. Shrewsbury. He was one of those named as having paid for their New Jersey lands. He subsequently held the office of Justice, Commissioner, &c.

1690. He and wife Abigail, in a deed of this date, mention will of James Grover, dated 1685, Dec. 1, wherein he bequeathed mansion house and mill, &c., equally to son James, and sons-in-law Benjamin Borden, Richard Gardner, &c.

1716. Eversham, Burlington Co. He deeded land to son Joseph, of Freehold.

1718. Auchwas, Burlington Co. He deeded son James certain land.

X. (AMEY, m. 1678, Mar. 27. d. 1684, Feb. 5. of WILLIAM RICHARDSON, d. 1683, Feb. Richardson.

1. Sarah, 1664, Apr. 1
2. William, 1667, Dec. 3
3. Hope, 1673, Dec. 2

1. Obadiah,
2. Jonathan,
3. Samuel,
4. Sarah,
5. Mary,
6. Catharine,
7. Martha, 1675.
8. Lydia,
9. Joseph,

1. Richard, 1672, Jan. 6
2. Benjamin, 1675, Apr. 6
3. James, 1677, Sep. 6
4. Rebecca, 1680, Jun. 8
5. Safety, 1682, Sep. 6
6. Amey, 1684, Mar. 6
7. Joseph, 1687, May 6
8. Jonathan, 1690, Apr. 6
9. David, 1692, Mar. 6
10. Samuel, 1696, Apr. 6

1. William, 1679, Jan. 6
2. Thomas, 1680, Sep. 6
3. John, 1683, Feb. 6

BOSS.

(EDWARD, m. d. 1734, Aug. SUSANNAH WILKINSON, d. 1662, Feb.

of Lawrence & Susannah (Smith) Wilkinson. South Kingstown, R. I.

1710, May 17. He and seventeen others bought 7000 acres in Narragansett, of the vacant lands ordered sold by the Assembly.

1724, Sep. 22. Administration on his estate was granted to his son, Edward Boss, of Newport. Inventory, £1,027, viz: wearing apparel £7, 10s., a pair of oxen £15, 10s., 5 cows £32, 15s., 5 heifers £21, 6 yearlings, 4 calves, 34 cheeses spinning wheel, churn, 4 hogs, negro Abram £50, house and 154 acres £700, 130 acres of land now belonging to Peter Boss, given him by his father, £20.

1725, Jan. 11. The Town Council ordered that Edward Boss, eldest son of deceased, should have the land, he paying proportional sums to brothers and sister.

1725, Sep. Suit was brought by Henry Knowles Jr. and Susannah, his wife, daughter of Edward Boss, deceased, against Edward Boss, of Newport, for £140, due for a fifth of homestead of 134 acres. It was declared that Edward Boss died about Aug., 1724, leaving three sons, Edward the eldest, Jeremiah and Peter, and one daughter, Susannah.

I. (EDWARD, m. 1709, Apr. 21. d. 1688, Dec. 8. of Caleb & Phillip (Greene) Carr.

He was a merchant.

1713. Freeman.

1713, Apr. 6. He sold to Rowland Robinson, 234 acres in Narragansett, for £101, 10s.

1737, Mar. He brought suit against Ann Sabere and Daniel Sabere, executors of John Sabere, for £200, for molasses sold.

II. (SUSANNA, m. 1712, May 8. d. 1673, Sep. 29. of William & Alice (Fish) Knowles.

III. (PETER, m. 1720, Jan. 28. d. 1695, Sep. 15. of AMEY GARDINER, d. 1740, May 1. North Kingstown, R. I. Gardiner.

1733. Kings Town. Freeman. Susannah (Amey) Stanton.

1726, Sep. 3. North Kingstown. He deposed as to things that Henry Knowles' wife had from Edward Boss's estate, the amount being near £50.

His wife Amey, also deposed to same effect, stating also that her mother-in-law Boss, in her life time had given her daughter, Henry Knowles' wife, a bed, pewter, &c., and that she took some feathers out of another bed to fill said daughter's bed up "because she was going into a difficult family."

1727. Freeman.

He had several other children besides Sarah, but their names are destroyed or illegible on town records.

IV. (JEREMIAH, m. 1722, Mar. 22. d. 1774. d. 1790, Sep. 8. of MARTHA SPENCER, d. 1765 + of Robert & Theodosia (Whaley) Spencer.

1765, Feb. 23. Will—proved 1774, Oct. 18. Ex. son Jonathan. To son Richard, 5s., he having had. To son Edward, 10 acres. To son Joseph, 5s. To son John, 5s. To son Peter, 39 acres. To son Philip, 160 acres in South Kingstown. To grandson Charles Boss, 130 acres in Richmond, at age. To wife Martha, a riding horse, six cows, feather bed, negro girl Judah and best room in house. To daughters Martha Tripp and Hannah Boss, 150 acres. To daughter Hannah, a feather bed. To son Jonathan, my homestead, buildings, &c., and he to have profit of all real estate till all the children are of age. To all children, the rest of personal. Son Jonathan to provide firewood for his mother.

Inventory, £325, 3s. 2d., viz: wearing apparel £5, 12s. 6d., 4 notes £103, 13s. 7d., money 3s. 6d., bible and other books £1, 4s. 6d., live stock £83, 8s., 2 woolen wheels, negro woman Judah £34, boy Caesar £11, 5s., linen wheel, warming pan, &c.

BOSS. 2d column. 1. Edward, 1752, May 2. Will-proved 1753, Feb. 5. Exs. brothers Jeremiah and Peter. He mentions sons Edward, Joseph and Benjamin, daughters Mary Bowers, Frelove, and Susanna Keeling, and wife— III. Peter, m. (2) Susanna Stanton. (W. of John.) b. 1714, Dec. 14, d. 1807, Sep. 35, of Theodosia and Rachel (Covey) Lauphere.

1. Mary, 1710, Sep. 6
2. Frelove, 1712, Dec. 6
3. Abigail, 1715, Feb. 6
4. Edward, 1716, Nov. 6
5. Hannah, 1719, Apr. 6
6. Susanna, 1720, Nov. 6
7. Joseph, 1722, Jan. 6
8. Phillip, 1725, Sep. 6
9. Benjamin, 1727, Jul. 6

1. Sarah, 1724, Jul. 6

1. Richard, 1724, Feb. 6
2. Edward, 1725, Apr. 6
3. Susannah, 1728, Feb. 6
4. Jeremiah, 1729, May 6
5. Martha, 1731, Feb. 6
6. Peter, 1732, Sep. 6
7. Joseph, 1734, Mar. 6
8. John, 1735, Oct. 6
9. Hannah, 1737, Oct. 6
10. Phillip,
11. Jonathan,

Sent to Ginny who has researched land deeds back to early times about their NH property.

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Town Clerk's Office

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Know all men by these presents that I Joseph
Willoughby of Bennington in the County of Bennington
and State of Vermont for and in consideration of the sum
of Sixteen pound & Sixteen Shillings lawful money of S^d State
to me in hand paid before the Delivery hereof by John
Stanton of Pownal County of State afore s^d the Receipt
whereof I do hereby acknowledge have given granted
Bargaine^d & sold & by these presents do give grant Bargain
Sell alien Release Convey and Confirm to him the
Said-John Stanton his Heirs & Assigns all my Right

Youngest dau.

Our dau. Virginia Louise, majored
in MATHEMATICS at Univ. of NH
Retired as expert computer teacher
of 30yrs.

Our son-in-law Tom G. Christenton
majored in Geology at Univ. of NH.
He took early retirement from U.S.
Dept. of Agric.

(friends helped)
They have built 4 houses, The ones
on island off coast of Maine & one
on mainland in Jonesport, Maine
sold. Of the other two, one is
their home; the other a lodge 18 by
24, w/2nd floor is on the ridge.

They own over a 1000 acres and
have a tree farm. Ginny knows how
to run all their large machines.

Men are very surprised seeing
this ladie's operation of big ones.

Son Dick has a computer graphics

(?) Six-Deg^s North Sixty Rods to a Stake & Stone thence South
Deg^s East Eighty two rods to a Stake & Stones thence East

South Sixty Rods to Stake & Stones thence Seventy Six Rods to
(?) just mentioned Corner containing twenty & Eight Acres

business, is skilled carpenter
& electrician. Wife Sue Ann
has a small bakery. Live India-
lantic, FL.

Oldest dau. Mary Ann Benavides,
wife of Jose of Spain, is a Clinical
Psychologist. Jose retired
Professor of Spanish. Taught for
a time in Minn. Mary stayed here
while he was there. Lots of e-mail
between them. We are 5-min. walk
from them in Wauwatosa.

Husband Ben has an Electrical
Engineering degree from Univ.
of Cincinnati, OH Lt. jg in
submarine service in So. Pacific
I retired from YMCA, Wash, D.C.
as payroll supervisor. There llyr

We both met at Gen. Motors Re-
search Laboratory in Detroit, MI
in 1941 where I worked as sec.
in Research Library.

This has been a great page to
list some family info.

Ruth A.
Hoepfer (Mrs. H. Benner Hoepfer)
Ben worked at Cape Canaveral as
Dir. of Operations on missel prog-
gram.

In D.C. on Metro System when it
was being built. Retired 1983.

Only gd. child, b. 1969, Cana

Miguel Benavides m. LosVegas

Amanda Owen of CA.
Liv. L.A., CA now

this first Day of Dec^r AD 1784

Signed Seald and Deliverd

in Presense of _____ Joseph Willoughby (Seal)

Sarah Watson

County of Bennington State of Vermont the

3^d Day of December 1785 then personally appeared

Joseph Willoughby Signer & Sealer of the Within Instrument

A short introduction to our family on the other side.

RUTH A. HOEPER
7523 GRAND PARKWAY
WAUWATOSA, WI 53213-3556

June 9, 2004

Bob,

Below are the enclosures being sent to you as per the e-mail.

I do hope you are continuing your recovery.

Ben changed our computer last year from Msn8 to Msn9 and I'm confused because the operation is different. One difficulty is in hooking up to my e-mail. Take care, Bob.

- I Pages 388, 389, 390 and 391 of "The Nat'l. Dictionary of Rhode Island; Three generations ...who came before 1690 **STANTON** name.
- II Page 24 of NDRI, BOSS. (Susanna (Lampher) **STANTON** m Peter **BOSS**.)
- III **THE GEN. DICT. OF RHODE ISLAND** (Pub.1887): Cover Page, Explanation of Printing, Foreword, Preface, Contents, Index of Families (2 pps.), p.440 of Add.& Corr, Am.Genealogist adds. p.488. (Total = 9 pages)
- IV **DANIEL** "Genealogies of R.I.Families", Vol. II, pub.1983, p.v-ixm **STANTON** ppl50-152. Robert's s/Daniel & son Daniel's fam. & descen.
- V **DANIEL** "Genealogies of R.I. Families", Vol.III, pub.1989, p.x-xi, 681, **STANTON** 682. Letter by Daniel Stanton in Barbadoa, (s/of Thomas) & died there. And Daniel Stanton (s/of Thomas) and died there
- VI "Genealogical Dictionary of The First Settlers of New Eng." Vol.1, pub. 1860. p.v-xv. Purpose & abbreviations. (Gives an idea of the man's plan.)
- VII "Genealogical Dictionary of The First Settlers of New Eng.", Vol.IV. P.ii-v, Back ground, p.82-85 **SHERMAN**; 166-167 **STANTON** (High lighted is where I found "sen" for senior . (These pages was another area where the genealogists or interested persons started looking for proof.
- VIII "New England Marriages Prior to 1700" by Clarence Almon Torrey, pub. 1987 & two supplements. Pages v, xiv-xv. These pages contain the code for how to understand the listings. I've included the pages for **STANTON** name. Many strong genealogy libraries also have the microfilm rolls which tell for each name the sources for the listing.
- IX "Genealogies of R.I. Families", Vol.I, 1989, pp.iii-xxviii xxix has **Philip Sherman**; xxx has **Robert Stanton**. (The book I have is mostly on Henry (John², Rob/t) and descendants.)

(These pages are an over view of just how much researching has gone on. Maybe magazines can be accessed on a computer. Not there yet. RAH)

Bob, much of what I'm sending may prove useful, but one can't keep everything. Some items may give you ideas on your pursuit of genealogy.

I was very glad to hear from you and somewhat guilty I had not written.

With affection.

(Bob, send the Porter-Lawrence Diary when you get time. I need to put Camilla Jackson Diary notes together, too. Ruth.

Ruth
-Your Wisconsin cousin.

Settlement of the Estate of John Stanton

John Stanton passed away intestate (without a will) leaving unsettled debts. To pay off the debts, the family needed to sell his 90 acres of property. The property was sold to John's son Lodowick, and the deed was filed by the other heirs to the estate, namely, Susannah (Stanton) Lawrence, Mary Stanton Johnson, Sally Stanton Nobles, the daughters, and Thomas S. Stanton, Samuel W. Stanton, William Stanton, Benjamin Stanton, Joseph Stanton, Clark Stanton and John Stanton, sons. It appears from the deed that the husbands of the daughters also needed to sign off on the estate.

The deed reads as follows:

Know to all men by these presents that, we Thomas S Stanton, Russell Johnson, and Mary Johnson of Laurens, County Otsego and State of New York, Samuel W. Stanton and William Stanton of New Lisbon, County of Otsego, and State aforesaid, Benjamin Stanton, John Lawrence and Susannah Lawrence, John Noble and Sally Noble of Spafford, County of Onondaga, and State aforesaid, Joseph Stanton of Marcellus, County of Onondaga, and State aforesaid, Clark Staunton of Naples, County of Stuben, State aforesaid, and John Staunton of Pownal, County of Bennington and State of Vermont, for and in consideration of one thousand dollars received to our full satisfaction of Lodowick Staunton of Pownal aforesaid, have remised, released, and forever quitclaimed; and be these presents, for ourselves our heirs, do fully, clearly, and absolutely, remise, release and forever quitclaim unto the Said Lodowick Staunton, his heirs and assigns forever, all the right, title, interest, estate, property and demand, which we have in and to a certain piece or parcel of land lying and being in Pownal aforesaid and bounded as follows: to wit, East by the highway and Eli Carpenters, North on a line between Pownal and Bennington, West by Stutely M. Watson's land, South by Reynold Carpenter's land containing about 42 acres, with the buildings thereon standing; and also one other piece or parcel of land lying in the town and County of Bennington aforesaid bounded as follows, to wit, East by lands of Jesse Loomis, North on lands of Elijah Fay, West by lands belonging being in, to Lodowick Staunton, William Burlinson and Larence Watson, South and Southeasterly by Stutely M. Watson, and Eli and Reynold Carpenter both of the two last parcels of land containing about 50 acres of land, be the same, more or less; each and every of the aforesaid tracts or parcels of land, which was of and composed the Real Estate of John Staunton, late of Pownal aforesaid deceased; to have and to hold the aforesaid premises unto him the said Lodowick Staunton his, his heirs and assigns forever, so that neither we, said Thomas S. Staunton, Russel Johnson, Mary Johnson, Samuel W. Staunton, William Staunton, Benjamin Staunton, John Lawrence, and Susannah Lawrence, John Noble, Sally Noble, Joseph Staunton, Clark Staunton, and John Staunton, nor any other person or persons in our name or behalf, shall or will hereafter claim or demand any right or title to the premises aforesaid or any part thereof; but they and every of them shall by these presents, be excluded and forever barred; In witness thereof we have hereunto set our hands and Seals, this 14th day of February, A. D. 1815.

Signed, Sealed and delivered
In the presence of:

David Gardiner
James Merils
Samuel Wright
Benjamin Grover

Thomas Stanton
John Stanton
Samuel W. Stanton
William Stanton
John Lawrence
Benjamin Stanton
John Noble
Sarah Noble
Susannah Lawrence
Joseph Stanton
Mary Johnson
Clark Stanton
Russel Johnson

Benjamin Stanton
John Lawrence
Stanton Johnson
Mary (X mark) Stanton
John Lawrence

State of Vermont, Bennington County, Pownal, 15 Feb 1815

Personally appeared Thomas S. Stanton, John Stanton, Samuel W. Stanton, & William Stanton and acknowledged the within to be their free act & deed before me, Sam Wright, Justice of the Peace- - -

State of Vermont, Bennington County, Pownal, 15 Feb 1815

Personally appeared John Lawrence & acknowledged the within to be his free act and deed before me, Sam Wright, Justice of The Peace---

State of Vermont, Bennington County, Pownal, 15 Feb 1815

Personally appearing Mary Johnson & and being separate and apart from her husband, Russel Johnson & acknowledged the within to be her free act and deed & that she did the same without and compulsion from her husband before me...
Sam Wright, Justice of the Peace...

State of Vermont, Bennington County, Pownal, 02 Feb 1818

Personally appeared Russel Johnson & acknowledged the within To be his free act and deed before me... William Bates, Justice Of the Peace

State of Vermont, Bennington County, Pownal, 07 Feb 1818

Personally appeared Joseph Stanton and acknowledged the within to be his free act and deed before me, Mumford Eldinger, Justice of the Peace...

State of New York (fs) Be it remembered that on the fourth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred fifteen came before me the within Benjamin Stanton, John Noble and Sarah his wife & Susannah Lawrence, wife of John Lawrence, and also John Lawrence of the town of Spafford in the County of Onondaga and the said John Lawrence being by me examined on oath declared that he knew the said Benjamin Stanton, John Noble and his wife, & Susannah Lawrence to be the persons described in& who have executed the within deed, which is to me satisfactory evidence that the

above named persons, their appearing before me are such persons as aforesaid & thereupon the said Benjamin Stanton, John Noble and Sarah his wife, and Susannah Lawrence, acknowledge that they executed the within deed for the use and purposes therein mentioned and the said Sarah & Susannah being by me privately examined apart from their said husband acknowledged that they executed the within deed freely without any fear or compulsion of their said husbands, all which I do hereby certify according to the statute in such case made and provided.

Freeborn Gelwitt
Master in Chancery

Recorded this 11th day of July, 1818.

By: Aaron Robinson, Town Clerk.

Hoeper (1), herself a descendant of both the Lawrences and Stanton's, examined the entries in the Bennington town records and sketched out the map of the said property occupied and owned by John Stanton. No explanation is offered for the multiple signings by some of the parties involved nor is there any explanation about the lag time between the filing in 1815 and the recording of the deed in 1818. Since the town of Pownal and the town of Bennington are only six miles apart, there clearly existed much interchange between the two families, not the least of which to mention was the marriage of John Lawrence, Jr. and Susannah Stanton, and the marriage of Lodowick Stanton and Mary Lawrence.

